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SUBJECT: SOVIET EMBASSY DELAY IN ISSUING VISAS TO TDY SY TECHNICIANS

1. MAY 31 DEPARTMENT DELIVERED TO SOVIET EMBASSY CONSULAR

SECTION VISA APPLICATIONS FOR CHARLES L. GANDY, JAMES C. DEMPSEY AND THOMAS J. MCDERMOTT, SY TECHNICAL SPECIALISTS WHOM DEPARTMENT WISHES TO SEND TO EMBASSY MOSCOW ON TDY.

2. AS OF COB JUNE 7 (FIFTH FULL WORKING DAY) VISAS HAD NOT BEEN ISSUED, AND SOVIET EMBASSY CONSUL PONOMAREV SAID EMBASSY UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM MOSCOW NOT TO ISSUE VISAS UNTIL IT RECEIVES SPECIFIC AUTHORIZATION TO DO SO. WE WILL INFORM PONOMAREV THAT WE ARE INSTRUCTING EMBASSY MOSCOW TO TAKE UP THIS MATTER WITH MFA, POINTING OUT VIOLATION OF FIVE-DAY RULE AND THAT FURTHER DELAY IN ISSUANCE COULD RESULT IN DELAYING SOVIET TDY'ERS WISHING CONFIDENTIAL

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3. PLEASE RAISE CASES WITH MFA. VANCE

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